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SUBJECT: JUSTICE DEPARTMENT REPORT ON KLAUS BARBIE

1. AUGUST 11 FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY NEWSPAPER "L'HUMANITE"
REPORTED THAT JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS ABOUT TO PUBLISH ITS
REPORT "CONFIRMING THE CLOSE POST-WAR RELATIONS BETWEEN
BARBIE AND AMERICAN SECRET SERVICES." ARTICLE POINTS OUT
THAT THE 200 PAGE REPORT (WITH 800 ANNEXED PAGES OF
DOCUMENTS) ESTABLISHES THAT OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN
970TH COUNTER-ESPIONAGE BATTALION BASED AT AUGSBURG,
ASSIGNED "WAS CRIMINAL" BARBIE TO FURNISH THEM INFORMA-
TION ON FRENCH AND GERMAN COMMUNISTS. "IN EXCHANGE,
BARBIE'S AMERICAN EMPLOYERS KEPT BARBIE AWAY FROM FRENCH
AUTHORITIES AND, IN 1951, PROVIDED BARBIE WITH FUNDS AND
PAPERS TO ESCAPE TO SOUTH AMERICA VIA AUSTRIA." "L'HUMA-
NITE" CONCLUDES: "THIS REPORT ALSO CONFIRMS, AS WE HAVE
MADE KNOWN ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, THAT BARBIE CONTINUED FOR
MANY YEARS TO WORK FOR THE CIA."

2. AS REPORTED IN AUGUST 10 EMBASSY PARIS PRESS SUMMARY,
"FRANCE-SOIR" WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT LOUIS FOY REPORTED
IN GREATER DETAIL THE CONTENT OF JUSTICE DEPARTMENT REPORT,
INCLUDING THE US ARMY'S 1960 PROPOSAL TO THE CIA THAT IT
USE BARBIE AGAINST CHE GUEVARA, A PROPOSAL REJECTED BY
THE CIA.

3. IN ANTICIPATION OF LOCAL PRESS INQUIRIES ON BARBIE
REPORT, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING TEXT OF JUS-
TICE DEPARTMENT STATEMENT WHEN REPORT IS RELEASED.
WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE RECEIVING SEVERAL COPIES OF
REPORT TO PASS TO FRENCH MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND
MINISTRY OF JUSTICE OFFICIALS. MARESCA
END OF MESSAGE

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